

**LUMPKIN COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
AGENDA**

Dahlonega City Hall
465 Riley Road
Dahlonega, Georgia
January 20, 2005
6:00 P.M.

- I. CALL TO ORDER** Chairman Gooch
- II. INVOCATION** Reverend Bill Hutchenson
- III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
- IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
- January 3, 2005 Special Called Meeting
 - January 11, 2005 Special Called Meeting
- V. REPORTS**
- County Manager Search Committee
 - Department Heads
 - Elected Officials
- VI. NEW BUSINESS**
- **ISSUE LICENSE**
 - Issue Beer & Wine Alcoholic Beverage License to Ricky Woody for Al's County Store
 - **RESOLUTIONS**
 - 2005-05 - Indemnification Bonds Board of Commissioners
 - 2005-06 - Amending Budget for Fiscal Year 2004
 - 2005-07 - Create Position of Deputy Clerk
 - 2005-08 - Appointments to the Board of Elections and Registration
 - 2005-09 - Appointment to Development Authority
 - 2005-10 - Signatures on Checking Accounts
 - 2005-11 - Local Legislation-Amend Purchasing Controls
 - 2005-12 - Local Legislation-Amend & Repeal Local Elected Officials Compensation
 - **CONTRACTS**
 - Lee Ann Roy, Independent Writer - Annual Newsletter Project
 - Bates, Carter & Company - Annual Audit
 - Mobile Communications of Hall, LLC - Service Agreement
 - Floyd Wimpy - Concrete Work at the Maintenance Building
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VII. OLD BUSINESS

- COUNTY MANAGER'S COMMENTS
- CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS
- COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS
- COUNTY ATTORNEY'S COMMENTS
- PUBLIC COMMENTS

VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Future Board Meetings:

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| • Board Workshop – City Hall | Feb. 3 rd , 2005 at 9:00 A.M. |
| • Board Meeting – City Hall | Feb. 15 th , 2005 at 10:00 A.M. |

IX. ADJOURN

Chairman Gooch

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF THE
LUMPKIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSONERS**

January 20, 2005

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Gooch at 6:12: p.m. Commissioners present were Stephen Gooch, John Raber, Deborah Hutcheson, Clarence Stowers and Marvin Martin. The Reverend Bill Hutchenson of the Dahlonga Baptist Church opened the meeting with prayer. Chairman Gooch requested that everyone stand and join in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by John Raber to approve the agenda as presented. This motion was seconded by Deborah Hutcheson and approved by all district commissioners present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Deborah Hutcheson to approve the minutes of the January 3 and January 11, 2005 Special Called Board of Commissioners Meetings. This motion was seconded by John Raber and approved by all district commissioners present.

REPORTS

Commissioner Martin gave county Manger Search Committee report. He stated that the search committee members had reviewed and ranked all 43 applications for the County Manager position. Commissioner Martin recommended that the entire board review the top 11 applications. John Raber made a motion that all five members of the Board of Commissioners review the top 11 applications. This motion was seconded by Clarence Stowers and approved by all commissioners present.

Reports were presented by Department Heads and are on file in the Board of Commissioners Office. Representative Amos Amerson thanked everyone present for the opportunity to serve Lumpkin County and reported on the opening session. Probate Judge Michael Chastain was also in attendance.

NEW BUSINESS

ISSUE LICENSE

Chairman Gooch announced that a public hearing regarding the issuance of a Beer & Wine Alcoholic Beverage License to Ricky Lee Woody was held today at 6:10 p.m. There were no objections voiced at the public hearing. A motion was made by Marvin Martin to approve this license. This motion was seconded by Deborah Hutcheson and approved by three members (Raber, Hutcheson and Martin), with one member abstaining (Stowers).

RESOLUTION 2005-05

Chairman Gooch read a resolution to require indemnification by all District Commissioners, the Chairman of the Board of Commissioners, and for the County Manager. The ACCG-Interlocal Risk Management Agency agreement with Lumpkin County provides bond coverage for public officials of Lumpkin County as may be required by state law or by local ordinances. A motion was made by John Raber to approve this resolution. This motion was seconded by Marvin Martin and approved by all district commissioners present.

RESOLUTION 2005-06

Chairman Gooch read a resolution amending the Lumpkin County Budget for the 2004 fiscal year. A motion was made by Marvin Martin to approve this resolution. This motion was seconded by Clarence Stowers and approved by all district commissioners present.

RESOLUTION 2005-07

Chairman Gooch read a resolution to create the position of Deputy Clerk of Lumpkin County. The Deputy Clerk of Lumpkin County shall perform all duties of the Clerk of Lumpkin County for such times and at such places as the Clerk is not present and ready to perform. The Deputy Clerk shall attend such training as is necessary to be certified

as a County Clerk under such courses and programs as are established by the Association County Commissioners of Georgia, and such other plans, courses and programs of study as may in the future be created and recognized by the State of Georgia and Lumpkin County. The County Manager and Clerk of Lumpkin County shall appoint the Deputy Clerk in writing. A motion was made by Deborah Hutcheson to approve this resolution. This motion was seconded by Marvin Martin and approved by all district commissioners present.

RESOLUTION 2005-08

Chairman Gooch read a resolution appoint the Republican Party Member of the Board of Elections and Registration of Lumpkin County. Fred M. Fister was reappointed to Seat No. 1 and Charles Treadaway was appointed to Seat No. 2, for a term each expiring December 31, 2008. A motion was made by John Raber to approve this resolution. This motion was seconded by Deborah Hutcheson and approved by all district commissioners present.

RESOLUTION 2005-09

Chairman Gooch read a resolution of appointment to the Board of the Development Authority of Lumpkin County. Jimmy Anderson was reappointed as a director for Seat No. 7 for a term ending March 7, 2008. A motion was made by Marvin Martin to approve this resolution. This motion was seconded by Clarence Stowers and approved by three members (Hutcheson, Stowers and Martin).

RESOLUTION 2005-10

Chairman Gooch read a resolution to provide for signature control of financial deposits in demand and other accounts. Persons appointed to the following positions shall be authorized to sign checks, orders for withdrawal or other similar orders for disbursement: 1. Chairperson, Lumpkin County Board of Commissioners, 2. Lumpkin County Manager/County Clerk, 3. Finance Director, and 4. Lumpkin County Deputy Clerk. A motion was made by John Raber to approve this resolution. This motion was seconded by Deborah Hutcheson and approved by all district commissioners present.

RESOLUTION 2005-11

Chairman Gooch read a resolution to request local legislation to amend existing local legislation to provide for purchasing controls consistent with current practice and needs of the Governing Authority. Georgia Senator for the 51st District, Honorable Eugene "Chip" Pearson, and Georgia Representative for the 9th District, Honorable Amos Amerson, shall be asked to introduce and support local legislation to amend those cited provisions of the legislation by striking the amount "\$5,000.00" and inserting in its place the amount "\$20,000.00." After discussion a motion was made to amend the resolution limitation to \$20,000.00. This motion was seconded by Deborah Hutcheson and approved by all members. A motion with the amendment was then made by Deborah Hutcheson, seconded by John Raber, and approved by all district commissioners present.

RESOLUTION 2005-12

Chairman Gooch read a resolution to request local legislation to amend existing local legislation to rescind existing provisions for special salary increases for the Commissioner, the Clerk of Court, the Probate Judge, the Sheriff and the Tax Commissioner, to each receive, by law, any salary increase authorized for any one of them. The governing authority has, upon review, determined that the legislation is no longer required to provide for reasonable equity in pay raises for the various elected officials. After discussing the resolution a motion was made by Clarence Stowers to approve the resolution. This motion was seconded by Deborah Hutcheson and approved by all district commissioners present.

CONTRACTS

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Classic Cleaners – Lease Agreement

A motion was made by John Raber to approve this contract, seconded by Marvin Martin and approved by all district commissioners present. Commissioner Hutcheson suggested this lease be reviewed next year.

OTHER ITEMS

Jack & June Anthony – Request to Purchase County Property

A motion was made by John Raber to discuss the request to purchase county property. After discussion John Raber made a motion to postpone this request until a later date. This motion was seconded by Deborah Hutcheson and approved by three commissioners (Raber, Hutcheson and Martin) with one commissioner opposed (Stowers).

Butch Moore Cabinet Shop – Request to Purchase County Property

A motion was made by Clarence Stowers that the request should be denied. This motion was seconded by John Raber and approved by all district commissioners present.

Mark Robinson Hauling – Bill of Sale

A motion was made by John Raber to discuss this purchase. Deborah Hutcheson seconded this motion. Charles Trammell, Public Works Director explained the transaction of trading the old trailers at the Transfer Station, which were valued at \$45,000.00 for 4-year-old dump truck with a value of \$52,000.00. All district commissioners present approved this transaction.

OLD BUSINESS

COUNTY MANAGER'S COMMENTS

Interim County Manager Stan Kelley said he had met with each department and was really impressed with employees. The employees are dedicated and he was amazed with what they have accomplished. Mr. Kelley said he has also compiled a list of department need for the board's consideration and would like to streamline operation and communications. Five applications have been received for the Planning Directors position and applications have also been received for the Grants Manager/Budget Officer, and Administrative Clerk positions. Keys are being issued to all members of the Board of Commissioners. Mr. Kelley is working with the County Attorney on an IT contract. There is a need for a Soil Erosion Officer and the board may want to consider filling that position. The Human Resource Director is looking at the 1983 personnel policy and the civil service policy from 1996 and she will be updating policies and procedures and creating job descriptions. Not all elected officials have signed on to the civil service policy. These plans need to be reviewed and perhaps we will need to seek professional help to complete this project.

CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS

Thanked staff for all their hard work. Stated that he would like the board to discuss committee assignments. Chairman Gooch, County Manager, Mayor and City Manager will be meeting with Governor Purdue, GEFA and the Department of Transportation. The school council has asked that Park & Recreation scale back hours so that children can prepare for CRT Test. Chairman Gooch and Commissioner Hutcheson will be attending the NACo conference during the month of March. Chairman Gooch who also serves as Chairman of the Georgia Mountains Regional Development Center Board announced that the board is currently searching for a new director. The next GA Mts. RDC meeting will be held in Dawson County at Thunder Road. White County has extended an invitation to the Lumpkin County Board of Commissioners to join them for dinner.

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS

Commissioner Martin said he was impressed with the staff and all the work they do.

Commissioner Hutcheson stated one reason the commissioners were able to make decisions was because of the preparation for work session. She also thanked everyone for being in attendance at the meeting.

Commissioner Raber thanked everyone in attendance and the staff. He also stated the board was working to get the bridge replaced at Nimblewill. He also stated a need for input as to who needs to be appointed to Boards and Committees.

Commissioner Stowers thanked Commissioners Martin and Hutcheson for all their work on the County Manager Search Committee.

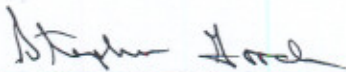
PUBLIC COMMENTS

Citizen Gerald Lewy remarked about the article in the Dahlonega Nugget regarding the detention center and the detention center ads for employment. Dr. Al Parker expressed concern regarding several employees who had lost their medical benefits due to the privatization of the Lumpkin County Transfer Station.

ADJOURN

Chairman Gooch made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:29 p.m. The motion was seconded by John Raber and approved by all district commissioners present.

2-17-2005
Date



Stephen W. Gooch, Chairman
Lumpkin County Board of Commissioners

Attest:



Stanley J. Kelley
Clerk Lumpkin County